

**Ida Township Planning Commission  
Monthly Meeting  
March 8th, 2011**

**Members:**

Kevin Miller, Vice Chairperson  
Elmer Bowman  
Ed Stotz

**Staff:**

Karen Lieb, Recording Secretary  
Ron Iott  
Donald Appleman

**CALL TO ORDER:** Kevin Miller opened the meeting at 7:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All members present except Brad Kamprath and R. Zabawa.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the February 8th, 2011 meeting were reviewed. Motion made by K. Miller to approve the minutes as written supported by E. Stotz. All in Favor. Motion Carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Zoning Ordinance Book Review:

1. Pond Ordinance draft (with spoils removal) – No action taken.
2. Special Use Approval: No action taken.
3. Site Plan Review – No action taken.
4. Home Based Business – Commissioners reviewed sample copies of Sumpter and Augusta Township's Home Based Business ordinances (reviewed on overhead projector.) Discussion items:

Sumpter: Home Based Business

1. Size restrictions on agricultural buildings (d).
2. Size restrictions for signs;
3. Restriction on sale of articles not prepared within the dwelling (p).

Augusta: Home Occupation

1. Commissioners discussed that Augusta ordinance may be too restrictive.

In addition, the Commissioners reviewed the proposed Home Based Business draft prepared by Planner A. Bibby. Items of discussion were the number of vehicles allowed and the requirement of fences. Commissioners will use Planner A, Bibby's draft dated January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as a baseline for April's meeting.

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4. Master Plan Update: No action taken.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Brief discussion held regarding zoning ordinance update proposal.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn made by E. Bowman supported by E. Stotz.  
Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Karen Jo Lieb  
Recording Secretary  
Approved with changes: April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011